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METHOD OF SCREENING FOR A )  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Applicants now reply to the Office Action dated March 27, 2007. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 6.

**Attachment:** (1) Copy of application transmittal letter (3 pages) and date-stamped postcard (1 page); (2) English translation of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-21047, including a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a)(4)(ii) (28 pages); and (3) English translation of

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1.55(a)(4)(ii) (37 pages).